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Congress adjourned on Friday till January 7th.

Gov. Hampton's condition has greatly improved within the past two days.

A LARGE majority of the members of congress have gone home for the holidays.

GALVESTON'S city council proposes saving \$3950 by cutting down down the salaries of city officials.

ALPHEUS S. WILLIAMS, CONgressman from Michigan, died at Washington, on the 20th inst., after a week's illness.

A PARTY of 14 mounted In dians raided a rancho near North Platte, Nebraska, and drove away eight horses.

A NUMBER of cotton mills in England have resumed work; but in many districts the operatives maintain their strike.

On Saturday last there was a a heavy snow storm extending from Toronto to New York and as far south as Washington.

A TEAM of elks was exhibited at the St. Paul, Minn., fair. They are gentle, well broke to harness and travel sixteen miles an hour.

The New Orleans Picayune has discovered that Edison has not lived in vain-base ball can be played by his electric light.

'A JOINT committee of demo crats of both houses have taken steps looking to party organization for the campaign of 1880

A HORSE died at Rochester, N. Y., on the 12th of September last, that had attained the remarkable age of 45 years and (months.

A NUMBER of fraudulent naturalization papers were issued in New York and amendments to the naturalization laws are suggested.

PROSPECTS of the Houston East and West Texas railway are said to be encourageing. The company is preparing to place its bonds.

Ir some man could invent or devise means by which people could live without work, a great multitude would rise up and call him blessed.

THE steamer Byzantine, from Marseilles for Constantinople sunk near Galata, from a collision. One hundred and fifty lives were lost.

THE Zanesville, Ohio, grave robbers have been sentenced, one to one year's imprisonment and \$1000 fine, the other to four months in jail and \$100 fine.

THE dwelling of Patrick Rourke at Cohoes, N. Y., was burned on the 18th inst. Mr. Rourke, his four sons and a daughter perished in the flames.

THE mails from Brenham to Bellville are not in prime running order. On the 11th inst. the Bellville Beacon received the BANNER for Nov. 23. 28 and 30th.

THE secretary of the treasury has issued a circular to all customs officers instructing them to receive Uniteu States notes as well as gold coin and standard silver dollars in payment of duties upon imports, on and after January 1st, next.

THE cabinet lately ndulged in genial love-feast over the peacable condition and prosperous outlook of affairs all over the country. At no time within his memory, said one member, was there more harmony and good feeling in every section than at the present time.

BLAINE's committee is a total failure. Senator Wallace proposes to have the Pennsplyania radical frauds investigated. This will be heaping coals of fire on the turtle's back.

THE superintendent of the insane asylum at Austin, reports to the Dallas county officials that there is no possibility of getting any indigent county patients into that institution.

THE evidence in the Rothschild case at Marshal was concluded on Friday evening. Saturday was devoted to argument and it is likely the case went to the jury in the evening.

Profs. Houston and Thompson exhibited at the Franklin institute, Philadelphia, an invention of electric light, which they claim solves the problem of cheap light by electricity.

THE country press is getting the range of Blaine.—Galveston

The country press will be wofully behind time. There's no use shooting a dead duck.

THE Galveston News of Sunday is a mammoth sheet containing 11 columns to the page. The business men of Galveston understand advertising holiday goods, hence the expansion of the Sunday News.

THE court of claims at Coumbia, S. C. has decided that a million and a half of state bonds issued in 1873 unconstitutional and void. The bondholders will appeal to the su-

THE great bridge and tunnel at St. Louis, built at a cost of upwards of \$12,000,000 has been sold out under a trust deed or mortgage.. A new company representing a capital of nearly \$8,000,000 has been organized.

THE senate has passed the house bill appropriating \$450, 000 to supply the deficiency for transportation of mail by rail during the present fiscal year, providing there be no increase in the postal car service beyond what existed Dec 1. 1878.

THE LaGrange Record declines expressing any opinion in the Killough case. It says: "We think nothing- we leave it with the courts." The opinion here is that a cold blooded and most atrocious murder has been committed and that the perpetrators should be hung.

THE president has sent a special message to the senate in regard to the South American trade, the exports to which country are now greater than the imports. He states that measures in furtherance of these interests will meet with his cordial approval.

JOHN WESLEY HARDIN has already distinguiseed himself in the penitentiary. A Huntsville special to the Telegram says several convicts employed in the wagon shop attempted to dig into the arsenal where a large number of Winchester rifles and 10,000 rounds of ammunition are stored. John Wesley Hardin was the leader, and but for the timely discovery of the plot would have been successful, about three hours more the arsenal. Hardin now takes his rations in the dark cell.

An ancient letter has been unearthed among the papers in the library of the Massachusetts Historical society. It is dated September 1682 and was written by Cotton Mather to John Hig ginson. It announces that the ship Welcome is at sea with a hundred or more heretics called W. Penn at the head of them, not fall into the hands of the political power that is now used Boutwell falsified his statements postoned till Jan. 27th, by deof Pennsylvania.

THE killing of Vaughan by the Horrells has so far resulted in the death of five other men. viz: Crabtree, Stull, Smith, and the two Horrels, who were recently murdered in the Meridian jail. The killing of the two Rabbs is also reported, making eight in all, and the end is not yet. Is there to be no cessation of this saturnalia of blood?

THE senate republican carcus was discordant about filling the Blaine investigation committee, Blaine declined as did all the others. All prominent republicans refused to have anything to do with the chairmanship. As a last resort and to avoid an utter failure, a committee ofsenators was selected without regard to their wishes. It is supposed the committee will not leave Washington, but will send for witnesses.

BAYARD TAYLOR, United States Minister to Berlin, died suddenly at that city on the 19th inst. Mr. Taylor was born in Pennylvania in 1825. He was a printer by trade and is principally known by his journalistic and literary works. His chief reputation was as a writer of travels, he having visited and written up all parts of the world except South America. For many years he was engaged as travelling correspondent of the New York Herald.

JAMES G. TRACY, of Houston, is in luck. He has been appointed United States revenue collector for the first district of Texas, vice Wm H. Sinclair, who has held the position for several years and given general satisfaction. Tracy. it is almost unneccessary to state, is a radical of the most approved style and during the Davis dynasty was one of the chief fuglemen. Personally he is a very clever man and has many warm friends in both the political parties.

NEGREOS are remarkable cheap in and about Augusta, Georgia. In the late municipal election the question of a location for a market was voted upon and as there was money in the location votes were valuable. The local paper says negro votes were bought up at prices ranging from a drink of whiskey to fifpaid. This was the outside Augusta can be bought for a

drink of Cincinnati whiskey. THE St. Louis Republican is sorry for Blaine. It says it is sorry for a man who allows his ambition to run away with his judgment and makes a stupendous failure where he expected a glorious success. Blaine is no longer young. His consuming desire has been for the presidential nomination. In 1876 he had it almost in his grasp and he now looks forward to 1880 as his last and only chance. He imagined that if he could keep the "bloody shirt" floating in the breeze there would be no obstacle in the way of his success. His last effort has proved a signal failure and hereafter Blaine is consigned to oblivion.

In his report, the secretary of work would have let them into the treasury enumerates the advantages of the national bank notes; the opponents of national banks are willing to concede all the advantages claimed for their notes as a circulating medium, but at the same time claim that treasury notes would possess all advantages claimed for the national bank notes and in addition would give us one kind of paper money instead of two: Quakers, with a scamp named would obviate the necessity for the government supervision of captured and said: "Much spoil would save the price which the can be made by selling ve government now pays the banks whole lot to Barbadoes, where for furnishing the country with slaves fetch good prices in rum- a paper currency. In addition me and sugar." Luckily for to this abolition of the national W. Penn and his heretics he did banks would do away with a puritans but founded the colony by the republicans in controlling of the amount of the debt for fendant on account of absence frogs can.—Sedalia (Mo.) Demelections.

THE carnival of crime in Texas is a fruitful theme of discussion in the press of the State. There is no lack of law for the suppression of murder in Texas. The trouble seems to be with the courts and juries. After a man has been convicted the next thing is an appeal and in too many instances the finding of the court below is reversed and a new trial necessitated, by this time the witnesses have moved off or died and the murderer is

GEO. HAMILTON, of Newark, N. I., in 1877 embezzled \$11-000 and came south. He spent some time in New Orleans in riotous living. A short time total consumption of domestic ago he was at Dallas; finding sugar was only 199,360,000 himself dead broke he sought while the foreign sugar consumwork in the cotton fields and two weeks ago, died in Rockwall county. A detective has been on his trail and finally identified his man by a letter in his carpet sack; this was a week after his man was dead and buried.

A woman horse thief has been arrested at Sedalia, Mo. She is accussed of stealing two mules and a horse and gives her name as Amanda Honeycutt-Boyles-Campbell-Griffin. The Sedalia Democrat in reporting the case says Amanda can tell more lies in a minute than the father of 'em all. The woman is middle aged, not good looking, and is an exceptionally hard case. It is, however, a very rare case that one of the gentler sex ever descends to horse stealing for a livelihood.

THE Paris Banner favors the whipping post. It says the negroes in its section of country do not regard a confinement in jail for theft or even a term in the penitentiary as a dishonor. With most of them such service is estimated an honor; so-much so; that upon a return from Huntsville, almost every negro tage of cheapness'and efficacy. A majority of those opposed to the whipping post are governed

by selfish motives. A SPECIAL to the News from ty cents, and in extraordinary | LaGrange, Dec. 21st announces cases as much as a dollar was the acquittal of Robert I. Moore, who was tried for complicity in price and it is fair to presume the murder of Capt. Killough. that an ordinary negro vote in Robert's brother, was also acquitted several days ago. Hunt, who, it is said, did the shooting is still at large. We do not know what evidence was adduced in the trial of the Moores, but we do know that, in their examnation before the district judge on habeas corpus that the evidence was sufficiently strong to justify the judge in holding them without bail. That both men should be acquitted is, to say the least, somewhat strange. Did money have anything to do with this?.

THE books of the treasury department have for some time been undergoing an examina- ity and condition of the land. tion by a committe appointed by the senate. In 1871 it was is much more profitable than discovered that there existed a cotton; it being claimed that discrepancy of \$200,000,000 in sugar is the most profitable field the amount of the debt. This crop raised in the south, or peroccurred during the time Bout- haps in the entire country. well was secretary, but it was afterwards settle by forcing, a onstrated there is but little if balance and the matter was for a any mony in the exclusively cullong time hushed up. It is as- tivation of cotton. We need a serted by the friends of Grant diversity of crops; the secret of that if the democrats get con- success in farming is, in living trol of the government the peo- at home as near as may be be; ple will know too much. The selling much and buying little. iuvestigation now being made We would not advise any to will no doubt enlighten the rush blindly into raising a crop people upon a subject on which of sugar cane which might prove they are now in the dark. Sen- a failure, but we would most ator Davis, of West Virginia, is earnestly recommend experichairman of the committee and | menting with it in a small way Mather thought they could be banks now required, and they has devoted much time to the at first, and increasing the crop investigation. He is preparing as circumstances might seem to a speech on the subject, which he will deliver after the holidays. It is expected that much crookedness during Boutwell's has been on examination at

political purposes.

peried merchandise. The ple of the United States ume more sugar h any other country on the gl any other country on the glo - Hogs are selling at 4 cents except Great Britian. In 1850, in Huntsville. In Brenham we consumed of foreign sugar 320,024,800 pounds and of domestic chiefly Louisiana sugar, 282,681,280 pounds; in 1859 we consumed of foreign sugar 535,-

SUGAR

The article of

largest import,

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548,000 pounds, and of Louisiana sugar 430,416,000, the proportion of the home product to the total consumption being about 45 per cent. In 1877 the ed was 1,455,387,000 poundsthe proportion of domestic article to the whole amount consumed being only about 12 per cent. The Louisiana product which fell of during the war, has been steadily increasing

since 1868, having grown from 51,522,000 in that year to 199,-36000 pounds in 1877. It is said that the state of Louisiana alone is capable of producing all the sugar needed in this country; but it falls very far short of doing it, even with the important advantage which our tariff extends, to the interest in that state. The largest proportion of sugar consumed here comes from Cuba- 926, 163,000 pound the remainder comes from Porto Rico, the other Spanish possessions; Brazil, and the British West Indies.

The statistics given are am-

ply sufficient to show the im-

portance of the sugar crop; they also show a wonderful disproportion. of production to consumtion. It is evident that it must yet be many years before the home production will be sufficient to suply the home consumption. At present Louisiana has a monopoly of the suconvict in this section of country gar production; the small quanhas been welcomed home with tity made in the other States a grand reception. The whip- hardly being sufficient in quanping post possesses the advan- tity to merit any special men- shall lost sixteen head of fattention. It is conceded that the Texas sugar lands are fully egeal if not superior to those of thief entered the Palace of Louisiana. In Brazoria and Fashion and after making an Fort Bend counties the manufacture of sugar has been successfully carried on for the last quarter of a century. The change in the labor system materially interfered with this industry, though it is now being revived and the production is increasing annually. In Victoria. Colorado and Austin counties ribbon cane has been successfully cultivated and sugar manufactured on a small or experimental scale - enough however has been made to demonstrate that the crops can be grown profitably. In Washington county experiments have been made with varying successclaiming that ribbon cane does not do well, while others say that it has exceeded their most sanguine expectations. The differece may be owing the qual-

The cultivation of sugar cane

The present season has dem-

- The Walker case which administration, and also that Bryan for some days has been of witnesses

pork is selling 4 cents.

— The question of New Year's calls a new the theme of discussion in the Denison papers.

- McKinney had a blaze on Friday; three frame buildings were destroyed; loss \$5000-no insurance.

- Several Huntsville merchants have taken to advertising in the Item and that excellent paper is happy.

- Dallas hotels use patent advertising registers Advertisers who have their cards insert- court was opened, and old Sam, ed therein are the parties who are sold.

a dream. He dreamed that a Christmas turkey had been presented to him-'twas only a -. The Bellville Beacon of the

- The Marlin Bale man had

21st reports the death of Mrs. I. Jackson, near Buckhorn on the 16th; and of Geo. B. Collins, near Sempronious on the 20th. - It is reported that Henry Williams and his brother-inlaw, Archer Thomas, had trouble about a division line of land

in Johnson county. They set-

tled it themselves with pistols.

Both are dead. - Victoria Advocate: heavy praire fire north and east of this city has burned several pastures and fences. It is thought the fire was the work of persons designing to have a

rich time skinning cattle. - A horrible case of infanticide has just occurred at Sherman. A white girl, aged 19, employed in a restaurant, gave birth to a male child and afterwards cut its throat with a pock knife.

- It is a difficult matter to raise hogs in Harrison county on account of the depredations of negro hog theives. A farmer living sixteen miles from Maring hogs in one night

- LaGrange Record: ineffectual attempt to open the safe with a chisel stole 15 cents and departed-Sheriff last week arrested and jailed Luther Mahon, who is charged with the murder of Sam Card 9 years ago. - Jerry Donivan writes a let-

ter to the Galveston News from Montgomery in which he complains that his family have been fearfully abused and his house bombarded with brick bats Donivan claims that the officials gave him no protection. No cause for the mistreatment is assigned. -It was currently reported in Waco on Saturday that the

Babbs who have been undergoing a preliminary examination in Coryell county for the murder of Stull and Smith, were waylaid and shot by parties unknown. Babb and his son are reported killed and his son-inlay mortally wounded. - Bellville Beacon: Wm. A.

Manor, an aged man, formerly of Austin but now of Gonzales county, while on the road from Bellville to Millheim, on Tuesday, was waylaid in Mill creek bottom by some unknown party and shot in the arm with a large rifle ball. Mr. Manor had his arm amputated at the shoulder joint by Drs. Early, Morris and Stone of Bellville.

Had the Democrats and Greenbackers united in Michigan the Republicans would have been wiped out. The two former parties united have a majority of 9297 over the Republicans. -Brenham Banner. How could they unite? Has

not the Democratic party for twelve years been fighting for everything professedly asked for by honest Greenbackers, and yet when the time comes to put the Democratic party into power there is always some infernal new movement, or beggars' movement, or independent movement, or some other sort of a movement which helps the Republicans and makes the last state worse than the first. Let the poor fools sweat awhile. The boys can stand it if the

ing at 4 cents | the war came o the first to tura against me. He went into the army and served till the surrender. After peace was made I moved over into an adjoining county and went to work, trying to repair my brok npt to break jail en fortune. One day a negro Tuesday last was that I had working for me knockin the bud by sheriff ed down one of my horses, which so enraged me that I struck him several times with my cane. He went away and returned with a constable, who summoned me to appear next day before a magis trate. Officers were not quite so numerous then as now, and the magistrate's office was several miles away. Well, sir, when I got there who should I see but old Crow Sam. When everything had been made ready

> marked: "Pears that I'v seed you afore." "Look here, Sam," I said, "I don't like to be mixed up this way. Try to settle this affair without malice."

giving me a scarching look re-

"De law is gwine to hab its direck course," said Sam.-"Things hab kinder change since we was in business together, but de principle ob de nigger hav'nt revoluted. Dis nigger is as big a rascal as I used to be, so Mars John I'll discharge you, flinging de black ape in de cost."-Little Rock Gazzette.

The Brenham BANNER is a very sensible article on, "Truck Farming," urges the people about Brenham to try again what failed last year, raising vegetable for the Northern mar ket. It insists that money can be made at it, but insists with equal force that the conditions are very early vegetables, and vegetables in fine condition. The BANNER is correct, with a double emphasis on the word correct.- Waco Examiner.

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